Principal’s Update

Vocal Night

Congratulations to the staff and students in the performing arts area for putting on another fantastic vocal night. The talent pool at Gladstone Park never seems to diminish, particularly, I think, because of the expert tuition given to the students by our staff. The surprise performances by Mr Callegari, Ms Wilkinson and Ms Edwards were a fantastic display of this talent. The students improve with every performance, which is credited to their determination and perseverance.

Thank you to the parents, family and friends who attended the night. Smiles all round at the end of the evening.

Gladdy’s Got Talent

The finalists in our annual Gladdy’s Got Talent performed to a packed house at lunchtime on Tuesday. It gets harder and harder to single out winners when you are faced with such a high standard and such diverse talents. This year saw a rise in the dancers’ performances and less of the usual rock bands. There were a number of awards for various categories. The winners are:

Overall Gladdy’s got Talent Winner
Interpretive Dancer - Maddie Sexton
Dance
Tap dancer - Trish Daniells
People’s choice
Vocal Duo - Trent Matuauto and Shariff Rizvi Deen
Principals’ Choice
Vocalist - Noah Quinones
Music
Vocalist - Louise Dumpit

Thanks and congratulations to all winners and finalists and to Ms Jones and Mr Freeman for organising a fantastic competition. You were all superb!

Year 10 Drama performance

On Monday night we were treated to a play performed by the year 10 Drama class. It was a play based around the theme of Lost and Found and features snippets of contemporary Australian drama shows and movies such as Muriel’s Wedding and Offspring. Congratulations to the students involved and to Ms Georgiou for all the hard work in the planning, writing and performing. It was a real treat.

Happy Holiday/Study Break

As this is the last day of term I wish you a happy and safe holiday break. In particular I wish the year 12 students all the best as they spend the break studying in preparation for exams. Being well prepared for your exams is the best gift you can give yourself to show respect for all your years of hard work and dedication. Sadly, your time at high school is nearly at an end – make the most of it in a positive way.

See you all next term.
Vocal Night

On the evening of Tuesday 13th September, GPSC held its annual vocal soiree, which aims to showcase vocalists across all year levels and allows the majority of our singing students to show off their talents. The evening was a great success, particularly for VCE students that are putting the finishing touches on their performances and getting ready for their external performance examinations.

Aside from the VCE students, there were many younger students who participated and wowed the audience with their professionalism and beautiful voices. Altogether it was a wonderful evening! Thanks to the teachers who made it possible – Mrs Wilkinson, Miss Edwards and Mr Callegari.

Miss Emma Jones
Gladdy’s Got Talent

The Gladdy’s Got Talent Grand Final was held on Tuesday 13th September, 2016. The Talent show highlighted the amazing abilities that many of our students have, from piano playing to dance, singing to guitar.

The audience were treated to a fantastic show over lunchtime with performers across all year levels participating. Whilst the judges made their decisions, Naite, Bob and Kaine (along with present student Denzel) entertained the crowd with a surprise performance. A big congratulations to all participants, who will receive prizes alongside the pride of their amazing work. Thank you also to the teachers who made the event possible – Miss Jones, Mr Freeman, Mr Callegari and Mr Arney.

The awards fell as follows:
Overall winner: Maddison Sexton
Best Dance: Trisha Daniells
Best Music: Louise Dumpit
Principals Award: Noah Quinones
People’s Choice: Shariff Rizvi-Deen & Trent Matuauto

Miss Emma Jones
Gladdy’s Got Talent
Gladdy’s Got Talent
Legal Students Meet High Court Judges

Students from each legal studies class were given the opportunity to attend an excursion at the Hume library in Broadmeadows. We got to listen to a High Court Judge who shared their own personal stories regarding their journey to the Victorian Bar. The guest speakers included: a female high court female judge, a female Supreme Court of Appeal judge, a first year solicitor and a barrister. The speaker that captured my attention the most was the barrister. He spoke to us about his childhood leading up to his time spent at university.

He originally came from Lebanon and moved to Melbourne in Grade 1. He couldn’t speak English yet worked hard and won numerous amounts of awards. Unfortunately, just as his English became reasonably fluent his parents decided to move back to Lebanon. Considering there wasn’t much to do over there he spent most, if not all of his time, studying and reading and developed a passion for law. Once again his parents moved back to Melbourne where he finished VCE, he earned a top Enter score and went on to study law at university.

All of the speakers had great stories; however the nature of all their stories were based on hard work and resilience and all portrayed the same message.

Overall I loved the experience and was fortunate enough to personally talk with the the High Court judges; Michelle Gordon, and have a photo with her.

Joshua Scuderi- Camilleri

Zac Amine and Joshua Scuderi- Camilleri with High Court Judge, Michelle Gordon.
Legal Excursion cont....

On the 16th of August 20 year 11 and 10 Legal Studies students, including myself, had the honour to attend the Law Workshop at Hume Global Learning Centre. We arrived late in the morning and there were schools from all around the area. For around an hour we listened to speeches from some of the most prestigious and admirable members of not only law but also the community. These included Helen Patsikatheodorou (The Mayor of Hume), Marilyn Warren (Chief Justice of the Supreme Court), Michelle Marjorie Gordon (Justice of the High court), Paul Anastassiou (President of the Victorian Bar) and many more. However not at one moment did we feel bored because each speech was just as inspiring as the other. While the workshop was to teach us how to pursue a career in law, something much more important they focused on through the presentation was to work hard. Many successful lawyers that spoke to us told us they were from the same area and we are all in now. Commonly these days before people even meet us they will judge us on our post code, gender, culture, religion and so many other things they shouldn’t make judgments on. We learnt to not let that stop us, and in fact allow it to fuel us so we work harder, and prove them wrong. Afterwards we were all given the chance to mingle with the many guests at the event. I was able to meet and chat with several distinguished guests. I had a chat with Justice Gordon about why she loves the law so much. I was introduced to Paul Anastassiou as we had a common interest of debating. I also spoke to the mayor of Hume about her commitment to breast cancer awareness, and a successful barrister, Paul Burke about why workshops like these are so important. Such an experience, alongside with my work experience spent with a lawyer helped me realise that I truly desire a career in law. Overall it was truly a once in a lifetime experience, and definitely a highlight of this year.

Amal Wehbe
We Are Off To State Athletics

Congratulations to the following students. They have come 1st at NMR and now will represent our school on the Monday 17th October at the State Track n Field Finals.

Year 7 – Karla De Keizer – Hurdles
Year 8 – Markis Atoa – Discus and Shot Put
Year 9 – Paul Resture – Javelin
Year 10 – Allison Rogers – 400m, 800m and 1500m
Year 12 – Abdi Sheikhisack

We had many students who placed 2nd and will be emergencies if needed. A great effort by the entire team.

I look forward to next year. We have a lot of potential.

Thanks to Mr Freeman, Ms Miles, Mr Greaney and Mr Zanitidis

Ms Talbot

Australian Mathematics Competition

In July, over 150 students from across the school participated in the Australian Mathematics Competition. The competition is focused on problem solving skills and is good measure of reasoning and lateral thinking. While the school’s standing have been steadily improving for some time, this year’s result was really exceptional. The school achieved a record of 18 distinctions (top 20%) and 6 high distinctions (top 2%). Students will receive certificates in early term 4. Congratulations to the following high achievers and all students who participated.

Jack Glenn (Medal: Top 0.1%)
James Wheeler (Top 1%)
Likidu Gunawardana (Top 1%)
Cameron Hansen (Top 1%)
William Lay (Top 1%)
Sinali Habaragamuwa (Top 2%)
Byron Sanford (Top 4%)
Reuben Silveira (Top 5%)
Ashleigh Gunn (Top 5%)
Katelyn Hamill (Top 6%)

Mr Baggiere
Dante Alighieri Poetry Competition

**Viva la poesia!**

Congratulations to all students who participated in the 2016 Dante Alighieri Original Poetry Competition. Students from Years 7 to 9 will receive a certificate at year level assemblies. Here are the Original Poetry Prize winners, according to the different categories.

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Dante Alighieri Poetry Competition Cont...

The Dante Alighieri Poetry Competition journey was one to remember. The entire process of writing our poems, waiting for our results and then attending the awards ceremony was quite the ride.

So on Friday the 2\textsuperscript{nd} of September 15 students, myself included could be recognised for our diligent work and preparation for our Italian poems at Melbourne University. Not only that, the 1\textsuperscript{st} prizewinners of each category had recited their poems in front of an audience of around 400! We read poems in front of complete strangers, from schools all around the state.

On the night, I was one of those that had to recite their poem. Although nerves were running high, I couldn’t help but being proud of myself as my poem was published in the night’s program along with many others from our school. I was also happy to see my friends receive their prizes on the night; something I’ll never forget and I’d like to congratulate everyone on their achievements.

Despite the nerves and the lengthy ceremony, I can safely say that everyone had walked out of Copland Theater with a smile on their face.

I would like to thank, on behalf of the students that had attended, Mr. Tosi who was the one to enter our poems into the contest in the first place, Ms. Nardi and Mrs. Gutterson for their support on the night and Ms Paciocco, who was the one to help out nearly every contestant from our school with pronunciation, confidence and above all, watching us present out poems with utter pride!

By Nina Zepcan (8C)
Year 7 Indigenous Hip Hop Incursion

On the 8th of September 7D & 7J were quite privileged to have 2 Indigenous Australian Hip Hop dancers come to Gladstone Park Secondary College. Group dances, solos, dance offs and fun, engaging activities were all included into the hour Dagogo and Anjali were here.

To start off we were introduced to the Indigenous culture and came up with a brainstorm of different dance moves that represented Indigenous stories. We then had the opportunity to come up and show our own dance moves, and then analysed how our dance moves were different to the Indigenous movements. A group dance was then followed, and included a variety of locomotor and non-locomotor movements (something we’ve learnt in Performing Arts!), and we also had to use facial expressions to convey the story of the dance. After the whole dance was complete and we’d rehearsed a couple of times we had a dance off between the boys and the girls. It was pretty fun because we were able to show attitude while the dance off was happening. At the end of the day the boys won the dance off and they were very happy about it however the girls showed outstanding sportsmanship through clapping and cheering on.

Last but not least we played some games. We got into groups of 6 or 7 and each group was given an Australian animal like a kangaroo, platypus, koala etc. My group was given the animal “Platypus”. We then needed to represent the animal in 8 counts of dance. We believed that a platypus sways and flows through the water and on the land, so we did 8 counts of a variety of swaying dance moves.

To be completely honest I really loved this incursion, the fact that we got to see hip hop in a different aspect was very interesting and engaging. I also loved that we did not have to feel insecure or embarrassed while dancing, we danced freely without judging and this made students feel at ease at all times. After all this incursion was a complete success, it involved learning, having fun and the opportunity to see hip hop differently. Special thanks to Miss Edwards for organising this outstanding incursion!!

Mia Orrico 7D
Essendon On The Ball

On Friday 26th of August, our Year 8’s were lucky enough to have a visit from some members of the Essendon Football Club. They ran a range of activities for our year 8 students. Firstly, half of the year level was involved in some games that helped improve their footy and basketball skills and then all Year 8 students gathered in the Performing Arts Centre for a talk from the players about the importance of being careful on social media. Some very important messages for us all.

Miss Ryan
Junior School
Gladstone Park VCAL students help feed Victorians doing it tough

This week, students from VCAL travelled to the FareShare kitchen in Abbotsford to chop, prep and cook meals for Melbournians doing it tough.

As part of the FareShare *Schools in the Kitchen* program, the students cooked over 500 meals during their session in the kitchen, whilst they learnt valuable lessons about the reality of hunger in the community, as well as issues around food waste and rescue.

Max Tosi spoke about how rewarding the *Schools in the Kitchen* session was for the students.

“Fareshare was a great experience as it taught us the importance of food wastage,” said Alannah Cronin.

Our trip to Fareshare also made us realize how many people are in need and it reminded us of how fortunate we really are.

FareShare CEO, Marcus Godinho, says FareShare sees 100 schools come through the kitchen each year with each school making a tangible difference to food security issues in Melbourne.

“Our FareShare *Schools in the Kitchen* program is a valuable experience for kids, offering a unique opportunity for them to learn about the topics of food waste and hunger as they begin their own response to the issue through action.

“Through *Schools in the Kitchen*, FareShare aims to set a benchmark for e-learning whilst capturing useful
Is This Career for You?

**Policing**

If you like protecting people, working in the community, thriving under pressure and have an investigative, inquiring mind, a career in law enforcement might be for you.

**Job Outcomes**

- Federal agent
- Traffic officer
- LGBTI liaison officer
- Photographer
- Special investigator
- Major crash investigator
- Forensic scientist

**What to expect**

Criminal justice covers a broad range of interesting subject areas like criminal law, psychology, policing and law enforcement. Police officers play a critical role in our community; upholding the law, maintaining public order, investigating crimes, attending emergencies and providing education and preventative advice. They protect life and property, detect and apprehend offenders, and help those in need of assistance—their duties are diverse, stimulating and challenging. Within state and territory police there are a plethora of specialist areas. You might be interested in such roles as traffic officer, or maybe dog or water operations officer, you might like to branch into being a police photographer or maybe a fingerprint examiner, maybe a police academy trainer or an intelligence officer, perhaps a major crash investigator or a SWAT team member. If your aspirations are on a broader national and international scale, the Australian Federal Police is a progressive and multi-faceted law enforcement organisation that strives to build a more secure future for Australia and its global partners. Counter-terrorism and national security are major priorities, so whether in a non-policing support role, investigating transnational crime, combating terrorism and people smuggling, fighting cyber-crime or heading overseas to liaison posts on capacity building missions, the AFP is on the frontline of keeping the Australian community safe.
## Year 12 Career Agenda - 2016/17

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STEM - Girls in science - Monash University
Friday 23 September 11am – 2:30pm
Monash, Parkville campus - Cossar Hall
http://www.monash.edu/pharm/femmesinstem

RMIT - Flight Training Open Day - Point Cook
10.00am - Sunday 11 September
https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/flight-training-open-day-tickets-26652742069

Victoria University - Free VCE lectures - September
https://www.vu.edu.au/study-with-us/your-study-options/vce-high-school-students/vce-revision-lectures

RMIT "Free" VCE revision lectures
17, 18 & 24 September

VTAC preferences explained
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2MRbS1Om4Oc
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## ATTENTION YEAR 11 & YEAR 12 PARENTS

Parents are reminded that where a Year 11 or Year 12 student is absent from school due to a family holiday, this will be considered an unapproved absence.

VCE and VCAL have attendance requirements which must be met in order for a student to pass.

## STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE

Parents are reminded that the school does not provide personal accident insurance for students. Parents/guardians are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including any transport costs.

Reasonably low cost accident insurance policies are available from commercial insurers should you require one.

## Office Hours

**Monday—Thursday**
8:15am to 4:15pm

**Friday**
8:15am to 4:00pm

Last day of each Term the office will close at 2:30pm

**The office is CLOSED during all school holiday periods**

All upcoming dates can also be found on our Website:
www.gladstoneparksc.vic.edu.au

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Please immediately notify the College of any changes to your address or contact details.

### NEWSLETTER

16th September 2016